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For:

IMAGE READING APPARATUS, COMPOSITE APPARATUS USING THE

IMAGE READING APPARATUS, AND CONTROL APPARATUS AND

METHOD FOR THE IMAGE READING APPARATUS

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop - <u>Amendment</u> Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

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Kindly amend the above-identified application in response to the non-final Office Action dated August 26, 2004. An Information Disclosure Statement is being concurrently filed herewith.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on Page 13 of this paper.